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2. [REDACTED] DURING THE
FIRST HALF OF JANUARY 1974, THE ARMY CAPTURED AND EXECUTED

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BAUTISTA VON SCHOWEN, A HIGH LEVEL LEADER OF THE
MOVEMENT OF THE REVOLUTIONARY LEFT (MIR). VON SCHOWEN'S DEATH
HAS BEEN KEPT VERY SECRET AND, WHEN QUERIED BY THE INTERNATIONAL
RED CROSS, THE GOVERNMENT DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF VON SCHOWEN'S
WHEREABOUTS OR WELL BEING. [REDACTED] IF OTHER
MIR LEADERS SUCH AS MIGUEL ENRIQUEZ AND VICTOR TORO
ARE CAPTURED, THEY WILL ALSO BE EXECUTED. [REDACTED] COMMENT: IN
MID-JANUARY [REDACTED] INVOLVED
IN THE VON SCHOWEN OPERATION THAT IT HAD BEEN CONDUCTED BY THE
DIRECTORATE OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE (DINA). [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHEN THE MATTER IS MADE PUBLIC, IT WILL APPEAR
THAT VON SCHOWEN WAS CAPTURED AND SUBSEQUENTLY SHOT TRYING TO
ESCAPE. [REDACTED] THAT SIMILAR FATES
AWAIT OTHER MIR LEADERS IF THEY ARE CAPTURED.)

3. [REDACTED]

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4. THERE IS GENERALLY WIDE-SPREAD HARD FEELINGS BETWEEN
CARABINERO TROOPS AND THOSE OF THE ARMY OVER ABUSES COMMITTED
BY ARMY TROOPS IN DEALING WITH THE CIVILIAN POPULACE. CARABINERO

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OFFICERS MAINTAIN THAT THE ARMY TROOPS ARE NOT ADEQUATELY TRAINED IN METHODS FOR DEALING WITH AND MAINTAINING CONTROL OF THE POPULATION. IN THE CONCEPCION AREA FOR EXAMPLE, CARABINERO OFFICERS HAVE WITNESSED ABUSES OF CIVILIANS AND HAVE RECEIVED CONFIRMED REPORTS OF ASSUALTS, ROBBERY AND RAPE COMMITTED BY ARMY TROOPS IN CONJUNCTION WITH MILITARY PATROLLING ACTIVITIES.

5. ALTHOUGH THE OFFICERS HAVE REPORTED THE ABUSES UP THROUGH THEIR INTERNAL CHAIN OF COMMAND, THEY HAVE SEEN NO EVIDENCE THAT CARABINERO HIGH LEVEL COMMANDERS IN THE CONCEPCION AREA HAVE CONFRONTED LOCAL ARMED FORCES COMMANDERS WITH THE PROBLEM. THESE ABUSES ARE FOR THE MOST PART COMMITTED BY ENLISTED ARMY PERSONNEL. IN SOME CASES, CARABINERO PERSONNEL HAVE HAD TO INTERVENE TO STOP BEATINGS OF CIVILIANS BY MILITARY TROOPS.

COMMENT: COMPLAINTS BY THE CARABINEROS IN THE SANTIAGO AREA AGAINST WHAT THEY CONSIDERED HEAVY-HANDED TREATMENT OF CIVILIANS. 1.5 (c)

A SIMILAR PROBLEM EXISTS IN TEMUCO, CAUTIN PROVINCE. IN THIS LATTER CASE, HOWEVER, THE JUNTA HAS ORDERED GENERALS MANUEL T O R R E S DE LA CRUZ OF THE ARMY, CABRIEL V O N S C H O W E N OF THE AIR FORCE AND EDUARDO G O R D O N

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OF THE CARABINEROS TO GET TOGETHER AND SOLVE THE PROBLEM.
[REDACTED], REPORTED THAT AS A RESULT OF
THE JUNTA'S CONCERN OVER THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE, THE MINISTER
OF DEFENSE ISSUED A CIRCULAR ON 17 JANUARY PROVIDING INSTRUCTIONS
FOR ARRESTING AND HANDLING OF PRISONERS.)

6. [REDACTED]
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